

## Message Text

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R 242149Z MAR 78  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY BRAZZAVILLE  
INFO AMEMBASSY OTTAWA  
AMEMBASSY PARIS  
AMEMBASSY YAOUNDE  
AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ENRG, CF, US

SUBJECT: PETROLEUM EXPLORATION IN CONGO

REF: BRAZZAVILLE 289

1. DEPT HAS CONVEYED INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL TO REPRESENTATIVES OF GULF AND BUTTES. GULF REP SAID THAT COMPANY HAS SENT CONGOLESE A LETTER INDICATING IT NOT INTERESTED IN KAYES CONCESSION UNDER TERMS OFFERED BY CONGOLESE. PETER WHITEFORD STATED THAT HE AWARE OF CANADIAN SUPERIOR'S TALKS WITH CONGOLESE AND HE WOULD INFORM BUTTES THAT CANADIAN SUPERIOR CLOSE TO AN AGREEMENT. HE ADDED THAT HE WOULD SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE. ON SUBJECT  
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OF FUTURE DEAL WITH ELF OR AGIP, WHITEFORD SAID BUTTES NOT INTERESTED IN GOING IN WITH ANOTHER COMPANY.

2. HOUSTON OIL AND MINERAL REP IS OUT OF COUNTRY, THUS WE WILL INFORM HIM OF GIST REFTEL WHEN HE RETURNS NEXT WEEK. VANCE

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## Message Attributes

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